

A GIGANTIC SILK ROBBERY

QUEEN TO GET PHOTO OF PRINCESS

Gives Color to Rumor of a Royal Alliance.

PHOTOS TO BE INITIALLED

Scandinavian Princess May Be Bride of the Prince of Wales.

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press.)

London, Jan. 5.—In connection with rumors of a possible royal alliance between the Prince of Wales and the Scandinavian Princess Astrid, considerable importance was attached today to a report that Queen Mary recently ordered forty photographs of the Princess for initialling.

It is customary for picture agencies here not to publish any royal pictures without obtaining the initialled approval of the Queen. Incidentally it is learned that Queen Mary herself approved the publication of the much discussed picture of the Princess playing a feminine role in a play aboard H. M. S. Repulse in the course of his recent South American tour.

WHEELER IS CHOSEN MAYOR OF MONCTON

Moncton, Jan. 4.—Ambrose Wheeler was elected Mayor of Moncton in today's civic contest, having a majority of 514 over Leonard C. Jones. W. P. Hutchinson and John W. Humphrey were elected aldermen-at-large.

The ward representatives are, B. A. Taylor and Telesphore Cormier, who were elected by acclamation in Ward 1; A. J. Taylor and R. A. Frechet, were the winners in the contest in Ward 2, and Robert Nicerson and J. D. Rushton elected in Ward 3.

Today's contest, while lively, was marked by good feeling among the various candidates.

A splendid spirit prevailed at the public meeting in the mail auditorium of the City Building this evening when addresses were given by successful and unsuccessful candidates. Mayor-elect Wheeler presided.

The vote for Mayor stood, Wheeler 1240; Jones 726. Majority for Wheeler 726.

DEVON MAN IS WARDEN OF YORK

The York Municipal Council convened in annual session in the council chamber at the court house this afternoon. Retiring Warden John T. Christie of Bright took the chair and after the usual routine called for nominations for the office of warden.

Coun. Douglas Clarkson of St. Marys in a brief speech proposed the name of his colleague, Coun. John Cowperthwaite of St. Marys, and expressed the opinion that he would satisfactorily discharge the duties. The motion was seconded by Coun. Tilley Bird and unanimously adopted.

The Warden elect on taking the chair delivered a brief address heartily thanking the council for the honor conferred upon him. The council then proceeded to the regular business of the session including the appointment of committees.

Recent noteworthy developments in the rubber field include balloon tires and prices.

ALLEGED WHITE CONSPIRATORS ARE ARRESTED

Political Police of the Ukraine Make a Capture.

EX-OFFICERS OF CZARIST ARMY

Supposed to Be in the Pay of Grand Duke Nicholas.

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press.)

Moscow, Jan. 5.—Political police of the Ukraine today arrested a group of alleged "White" conspirators supposed to have been seeking to prepare the ground in the Crimea for a landing of "White" forces from Rumania.

Police Chief Balitzky asserted that the alleged plotters mostly former officers of the Czarist army said to be in the pay of General Wrangel and Grand Duke Nicholas attempted to wreck trains on which Soviet officials travelled and to kill foreign delegations visiting Russia.

INTERIM REPORT OF THE COUNTY AUDITOR

The interim financial report of the Municipality of York presented to the County Council this afternoon by the County Auditor was as follows:—The Warden and Councillors of York County Municipality.

Gentlemen:—I have audited the Books; Accounts and Vouchers for the year ending November 30th, 1925 and beg to report that all monies received as shown by the Duplicate Receipt Books have been accounted for and paid into the Bank to the credit of the Municipality. Cheques were issued for all payments. I have examined the vouchers and cancelled cheques and hereby certify that they confirm the expenditures as shown in the blue book.

The Balance to the credit of the Municipality at the end of the financial year was \$10,295.67.

During the year \$10,000 Municipal Home Bonds matured and were paid off.

The yearly statements under the various headings are embodied in the year book which you have before you.

The Balance Sheet as shown on Pages 66 and 67 in my opinion shows the true financial position of the County as at November 30th, 1925.

I have also audited the Books; Accounts and Vouchers of the Road Tax Fund and report that the statement as presented is correct. The Balance in the Bank at Nov. 30th, 1925 was \$2,222.09.

I have also to report that I have brought the Audit of the Accounts up to Dec. 31st, 1925 and have prepared Statements showing the receipts and payments to that date, the same are submitted herewith.

Yours respectfully,
ROBERT CARTER,
Chartered Accountant,
Auditor.

January 5th, 1926.

Receipts and Expenditures.

York County Municipality.

Receipts and Payments from Nov. 30th to Dec. 31st, 1925.

Bank Balance, Nov. 30th

1925 \$10,295.67

Receipts as per Duplicate

Receipt Books 2,773.36

\$13,069.53

Payment by Cheque 3,017.33

Balance in Bank when all

Cheques are paid \$10,052.20

Bank Balance ... \$10,607.91

Less Cheques outstanding 555.71

\$10,052.20

Prince Carol's Letter Of Renunciation May Have Been a Forgery

Heir to Rumanian Throne Was in Italy at the Time it Was Written—This Revelation Came After Senate and House Had Accepted the Renunciation.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press.)

MILAN, January 5.—The mystery surrounding the renunciation of the Rumanian throne rights by Crown Prince Carol grew deeper today when Carol's entourage informed the United Press that Carol himself was ignorant of the letter of abdication written to Bucharast and signed allegedly with Carol's name.

This revelation came only after the Bucharest House and Senate had accepted the renunciation and also accepted the law naming Carol's son Prince Mihai (Michael) as heir and providing for a regency in event of King Ferdinand's death.

The United Press informant said the letter of renunciation was written in Rumania while Carol was in Italy. Carol's intimates are insistent that the letter was a forgery to further the political ambitions of Rumanian statesmen.

THREW ALARM CLOCK OUT OF THE WINDOW

Montreal, Jan. 4.—When he awoke and found that his alarm clock had not gone off and that consequently he would be late for work, Henry Beauchemin, Cherrier street, flung the offending timepiece through the window, striking Antoine Guy, who was passing, on the head.

Guy, thinking the missile had been purposely thrown, dashed into Beauchemin's room and together they "went to the mat," being separated shortly afterwards by a policeman.

In the Recorder's Court Guy was fined ten dollars and costs after being found guilty of common assault.

LEADER FORKE SURROUNDED

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—Exigencies of accommodation have brought about some curious results in the arrangements for members of the parliament.

Thus Robert Forke, Progressive leader, retains his old rooms in the House, but all about him now are Conservatives. On one side is the room of Sir Hugh Guthrie; on the other is that of Sir Henry Drayton, and all down the corridor leading to Mr. Forke's room, are the rooms of more Conservatives.

Road Tax Account.

Receipts and Payments from Nov. 30th, 1925 to Dec. 31st, 1925.

Balance in Bank \$2,222.09

Receipts as per Duplicate Receipt Books 49.18

\$2,271.27

Paid Provincial Treasurer .. \$2,115.35

Bank Balance \$ 155.92

In my general certificate I neglected to mention that some of the Collectors deducted an amount for expenses varying from \$1.00 up to \$20.00. It seems to me that these deductions should be authorized by the Council or the Councillors of the Parish where this deduction is made.

ROBERT CARTER,
Chartered Accountant,
Auditor.

January 5th, 1926.

NEW YORK HAS A STATUE TO A DOG HERO

Recently, there was unveiled in New York a statue in bronze of Balto, the lead dog in the famous team that carried the serum last January to diphtheria stricken Nome. This trip, it will be remembered, was made by a number of teams running in relays and Balto led the last relay through a howling storm with the thermometer registering forty degrees below zero. His owner and driver became exhausted and lost in the whirling snow and gave to his dog the order "Home". Whirling about, this lead dog who had obeyed the hand of his master, led his team in an opposite direction, and, although hungry, refused to stop at a village through which his way ran and reached home with the precious serum in time to save the dying children and to check the epidemic. Some objection was made when it was proposed to erect a monument to Balto, and the fact that the dog acted through instinct rather than reason was brought forward. But these objections were overruled by those who had in mind the service to humanity made possible by the courage of the dog who, unguided by his master and aided by his sagacity and intelligence, and by his obedience to the order, carried it out in the face of overwhelming conditions, saving the life of his owner and of the children. It was typical of the men of the North, too, that one and all had faith in Balto and were sure that he would, as he did, win through on time. The statue will go toward forwarding the work of organizations like the C. P. J. A., and the Humane Society, and is a tribute that is well deserved to the honor of man's best friend. The statue is erected in Central Park and is the work of F. G. R. Roth, who made a special study of the dogs of Arthur T. Walden, the famous owner of sledge dogs in New England who will take part in the Eastern International Sledge Dog Derby in Quebec in February.

Committed For Trial.

Murdock Evoung of Cape Breton, charged with causing the death of Policeman McCavour at St. John on New Year's Eve was yesterday committed for trial by Police Magistrate Henderson. His case will come up before Justice Byrne on January 12th.

RADIO JOINS TWO SEPARATED FOR MANY YEARS

Woman Finds Brother Who Vanished 40 Years Ago.

GOT NEWS OVER RADIO

Message was Flashed Over a Thousand Miles of Space.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 5.—Radio, flashing a message over nearly 1,000 miles of space, will unite a brother and sister at Worthington near here, tomorrow after a separation of forty years.

Mrs. Robert Eakin longed to see her brother, Alonzo Jones, on New Year's Day. She didn't know where he was. Then, she said, she had a dream; she could reach him by radio.

She told her story to officials of WEAQ, Ohio State University broadcasting station.

Several weeks ago Jones and his four children were sitting around their radio in their plantation home in the town of Tomato, Mississippi county, Ark. A daughter was listening in. Clearly and distinctly came this message: "Alonzo Jones, wherever you are, listen!"

"Papa, come quick!" called the girl.

Jones clapped the headphones on. Again came the voice: "Alonzo Jones, wherever you are, listen! Your sister wants to see you at Worthington, Ohio. She has not seen or heard from you in forty years. You were born at Antiquity, Meigs county, Ohio, at the time of the Civil War.

"You were raised by Capt. William Roberts, an Ohio River flatboat man. You went with him on a produce boat when you were a boy and ran away while the boat was lying at the bank in Arkansas. My name is Mrs. Robert Eakin."

Three times the excited Jones heard this message from the announcer at WEAQ. Then the resumption of routine announcements rang the curtain down on the drama.

Jones telegraphed his sister he would meet her in her Worthington home tomorrow. They are the only living members of their family.

HOW TO INCREASE THE WEALTH OF THE DOMINION

Canada has many wonderful opportunities for increasing her national wealth, but probably none so easily possible as is that of wheat growing, says the Natural Resources Intelligence Service of the Department of Interior. With an increase of but one bushel per acre on the area planted to wheat last year many millions of dollars of additional revenue would be secured by the growers. Last season nearly 22 million acres of wheat were grown. One extra bushel per acre at the present price of around \$1.50 would mean \$33,000,000 more to Canada.

The Canadian Experimental Farms are doing truly wonderful work in the development of varieties of wheat that will be helpful to our western wheat growing provinces. More rapidly maturing varieties are enabling wheat to be grown farther north, while greater producing varieties will increase the output. These all add to the attractiveness of Canada as a home for the settler who is willing to make the effort necessary to secure a competence from the still vacant fertile acres.

Sandstones for the manufacture of grindstones and pulpstones have been quarried in Canada's Maritime provinces for more than forty years.

STOLE SILK WORTH OVER A MILLION

A Big Robbery Pulled Off by Chinese Bandits.

YUNK KEE CITY RAIDED

Raided Thirty Warehouses and Escaped in Launches.

(By ALFRED G. HICKS, United Press Staff Correspondent.)

Hong Kong, Jan. 5.—Three hundred bandits today by a daring trick perpetrated the biggest silk robbery in the history of South China when they raided Yunk Kee city and took one million dollars worth of silk. After alarming troops in the city they donned the soldiers uniforms and deceived the volunteer police by declaring they were the "new garrison" for the place. In this way they were able to take possession of thirty warehouses, from which they removed the silk to launches and escaped.

ALEXANDRIA LODGE, F. & A. M. INSTALLED

Harold Pickard, Worshipful Master—New Officers at Once Conferred First Degree on Candidates.

The installation of officers of Alexandria Lodge, No. 33, F. & A. M., of Devon, took place Monday night, Whitman Brewer, Past Master, installing with N. Jones, Past Master, acting as Director of Ceremonies. Refreshments were served following the installation.

An unusual feature of the night was the working of the first degree by the newly installed officers immediately after their installation.

The new officers of Alexandria Lodge are as follows:—

W. M.—H. H. Pickard.
S. W.—H. Moffat.
J. W.—Thos. Jones.
Chaplain—Geo. Danby.
Treas.—A. W. Rockwell.
Sec.—J. Walter MacFarlane.
S. D.—R. Rickard.
J. D.—D. W. Griffiths.
S. S.—Fred Staples.
J. S.—Donald McFarlane.
I. G.—Thos. Nickless.
Tyler—J. G. Hall.

CHANCERY COURT.

Chief Justice Sir Douglas Hazen Presided—Order For Foreclosure And Sale.

Sir Douglas Hazen, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, presided at the session of Chancery Court held here this morning when a Westmorland County case concerning Westmorland County property, was heard.

In the case of James E. Masters and Walter F. Wheeler, plaintiffs, and James R. Graves and Sadie M. Graves, defendants, E. Allison MacKay, for the plaintiffs, moved to confirm the master's report and for foreclosure of mortgage and sale of mortgaged premises for the amount reported due the plaintiff.

The order for foreclosure was given with leave to all to bid.

University Reopened.
Lectures at the University of New Brunswick were resumed today after the Christmas vacation.